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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee in the above-captioned matter, please enter  
the following amendments to the claims:

4) (AMENDED) A composition according claim 2 wherein said ester is an ethyl,  
propyl, or butyl ester of said acid.

5) (AMENDED) A composition according to claim 2 wherein the ratio of said acid to  
said ester is from 0.01 to 10.

6) (AMENDED) A composition according to claim 1 wherein said auxiliary stabiliser is  
present in a amount of from 0.05 to 5% by weight of the composition.

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